

IC 34-39-3

Chapter 3. Evidence of Previous Felony Conviction in a Civil Action

IC 34-39-3-1

Prior felony conviction; admissibility

Sec. 1. (a) Evidence of a final judgment that:

(1) is entered after a trial or upon a plea of guilty; and

(2) adjudges a person guilty of a crime punishable by death or imprisonment of more than one (1) year;

shall be admissible in a civil action to prove any fact essential to sustaining the judgment, and is not excluded from admission as hearsay regardless of whether the declarant is available as a witness.

(b) The pendency of an appeal may be shown but does not affect the admissibility of evidence under this section.

As added by P.L.1-1998, SEC.35.